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STATUS AND EXPLANATION OF SUPPORT FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

Status

Claims 1-38, 40, 46-49, 57 and 60-69 have been canceled.

Claims 39, 41-45, 50-56 and 58-59 are pending.

Disclosure Support for the Claim Amendments

The above claim amendments are fully supported by the disclosure of the patent, e.g., as follows:

Claims 56, 58 and 59: Figs. 1 and 3; col. 4, line 64 - col.

5, line 27 of the patent.

<u>REMARKS</u>

The present Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment supplements

Applicants' reply ("Supplementary Preliminary Amendment And Response To PTO

Communication Dated December 4, 2003") filed on April 5, 2004. Entry of the

present Second Supplementary Preliminary Amendment is requested after the

entry of the Applicants' reply filed on April 5, 2004.

Upon entry of the present Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment,

claims 39, 41-45, 50-56 and 58-59 are pending in the present application. Claims

39, 45, 51 and 56 are independent claims.

Although Applicants have already filed on April 5, 2004 the newly executed

Assent of Assignee that includes the proper empowerment statement, another

executed Assent of Assignee is filed herewith. This second Assent attached hereto

was signed by the senior manager of LGE (Assignee), whereas the first Assent filed

on April 5, 2004 was signed by Assignee's attorney.

In view of the issuance of the parent case, it is believed that the present

claims as amended are allowable over the prior art of record. Accordingly, an

early indication of allowance of the claims and the issuance of a Notice of

Allowance are respectfully requested.

Should there be any matters which need to be resolved in the present

application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Esther H. Chong

(Registration No. 40,953) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to

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conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the

present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Newly Executed Assent of Assignee